



# LITTLE BADGERS NURSERY ADMISSIONS POLICY 2024-2025



The local Education Authority has delegated admission of nursery pupils to the school Governing Body. Parents wishing to apply for a place should therefore complete the school's application form and submit it directly to the school for consideration.

The school will endeavour to inform parents by letter/email of the outcome of the application the term before admission but this is not guaranteed. If a place is offered, parents must confirm acceptance to the school by the date stipulated, otherwise it will be offered to another child.

If a place is available, a child can be admitted into Little Badgers Nursery the term after they turn three-years-old; however, we also have a small number of 15 hour places available for two-year-olds to start in the term after they turn two-and-a-half or if they are FEET funded.

Nursery Admissions Criteria for three and four-year-olds:

Applications will be considered in accordance with the following criteria which are set out in priority order.

1. Children in Public Care (looked after children)
2. Children with exceptional / medical / educational needs
3. Children of staff at the Nursery/academy
4. A child who at the time of admission, have a sibling on the school roll or in the Nursery
5. A child who will turn four-years-old between – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025
6. Children who will turn three-years-old between – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024
7. Children who turn three-years-old between - 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Nursery criteria for two-year-olds:

Limited spaces are available for two-year-olds and top priority will be given to those children who qualify for FEET funding. In the event of over subscription, applications will be considered in accordance with the same criteria as three and four-year-olds followed by nearest to school.

It should be noted that admission to Little Badgers Nursery does not guarantee admission to the Reception class in the main school. Applications for Reception must be made separately and submitted by the statutory deadline in order to be considered.

**The deadline for Nursery applications for the academic year 2024-2025 is 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024. Forms received after this time will be treated as late applications.**